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AMEMBASSY VIENNA

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SUBJ: IRAQI ATTITUDE TOWARD EUROPEANS AND JAPAN

REF: BAGHDAD 596, 602

1. DEPT WILL HAVE NOTED VARIANCE BETWEEN GOI PUBLIC
OIL POLICY WHICH CALLS FOR NATIONALIZATION AND STRICT BOYCOTT
(BAGHDAD 602) AND ITS ACTIONS. FOLLOWING IS LATEST INFO
EXTENT THIS VARIANCE AND GOI ATTITUDE TOWARD VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

2. BRITISH, SPANISH, BELGIANS, AND FRENCH ARE IN GOOD STANDING
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AND HAVE NOT BEEN REQUESTED TO CLARIFY THEIR MID-EAST POLICIES.

HEAD OF FRG INTSEC HAS HAD EXCHANGE WITH MINISTRY FORAFF IN WHICH GOI GAVE HINT OF SATISFACTION WITH FRG POSITION. ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MADE DETAILED PRESENTATION TO FORMIN UNDER SECRETARY TO EXPLAIN ITALIAN POLICY OF EQUIDISTANCE FROM BOTH PROTAGONISTS. HE SAID IT WAS WELL RECEIVED. AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR MADE DEMARCHE ABOUT REPORTED IRAQI INABILITY TO DELIVER FROM BANIAS SMALL REMAINDER OF OIL PROMISED FOR 1973 (150,000 TONS) BECAUSE OF FORCE MAJEURE. WITHIN ONE DAY HE HAD COMMITMENT FROM GOI THAT THIS AMOUNT WOULD BE DELIVERED FROM TRIPOLI "BECAUSE AUSTRIA IS OUR FRIEND."

3. DESPITE PUBLIC CALL FOR BOYCOTT OF US AND HOLLAND, NO LAW OR REGULATIONS TO THIS EFFECT HAVE BEEN ISSUED. BPC REP SAID ONLY RESTRICTION THEY ARE UNDER IS NOT TO LOAD NEDC (MOBIL-EXXON) TANKERS. SPECIAL DUTCH ENVOY DE LAVALETTE, AMBASSADOR IN TEHRAN AND FORMER AMBASSADOR IN BAGHDAD, ARRIVED NOV 4 AND LEFT NOV 6. HE WAS RECEIVED BY FORMIN UNDER SECRETARY AT LAST MINUTE AND WHILE TOLD NATIONALIZATION OF DUTCH PORTION OF SHELL PART OF BPC WAS FAIT ACCOMPLI, HE WAS ENCOURAGED ABOUT FUTURE DEALINGS.

4. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TOLD ME NOV 6 THAT HE HAD HAD NO PROBLEM WITH GOI. JAPAN, AS NEW CUSTOMER OF IRAQ, IMPORTS ONLY SMALL QUANTITY OF OIL, AND IS NEGOTIATING TO BUY MORE.

5. IRAQ APPARENTLY BEING SECRETIVE ABOUT ITS ACTIONS SINCE KUWAITI AMBASSADOR ASKED ME NOV 7 IF IRAQ BOYCOTTING US. I SAID I HAD BEEN TOLD BPC NOT PROHIBITED FROM EXPORTING TO US, BUT I DID NOT KNOW ABOUT INOC'S OWN POSSIBLE RESTRICTIONS. LOWRIE

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